

## Abstract of the Disclosure

A bale press for loose material, especially for paper with a filling space for material that is to be added loose, a press ram, which can be moved through the filling space into the inlet of a pressing channel or some other baling space, and several knotters for tying material, which are disposed next to one another at the inlet of the pressing channel, in which in each case two opposite strands of a tape loop of the binding material, encircling the bale, are brought together at the front, knotted together and cut after the knot, the associated knotter receiving one of the two strands with a supplying arm through openings in the press ram is equipped for the extreme requirements of industrial high performance presses, especially channel bale presses, in such a manner that the openings in the press ram form channels which are adapted to the movement profile of the supplying arms and, at a front surface of the press ram, are open in outlet slots for the tying material. The driving mechanism of the press ram advisably is stopped during the supplying movement of the supplying arm and the supplying arm is moved forward in its longitudinal direction. The driving mechanisms preferably are pressure medium-actuated driving mechanisms.